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Letter dated 18 October 2002 from the Chairman of the Sixth Committee addressed to the Chairman of the Fifth Committee

I refer to the report of the Committee on Conferences for 2002, contained in document A/57/32, and, in particular, to paragraph 79 thereof, wherein it is noted that the programmatic and financial consequences of the integration of the functions of the Fifth and Sixth Committee technical-servicing secretariats into the Department of General Assembly Affairs and Conference Services would be considered by the appropriate bodies of the General Assembly.

Kindly note that the Sixth Committee has requested the Secretariat to provide it with information as to the implications of the proposed integration. At this time, however, the Committee is still awaiting such explanation.

I am, therefore, requesting that the Fifth Committee postpone any decision on this matter, which appears under agenda item 116, until such time as the Sixth Committee has received the appropriate information from the Secretariat and has had the opportunity to consider it.

(*Signed*) Arpad **Prandler**
Chairman of the Sixth Committee of the fifty-seventh
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